

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

Hoover, et al.

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Examiner: Lee, Cheukfan

Docket No. 10012696-1

For: **System and Method for Mobile Printing From A Desktop Operating System
Using a Portable Computing Device**

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY BRIEF RESPONSIVE TO
EXAMINER'S SUPPLEMENTAL ANSWER**

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Sir:

The Examiner's Answer mailed August 22, 2007 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please consider the following remarks.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 08-2025.

REMARKS

The Examiner has provided responses to points made in Applicant's first Reply Brief. Applicant addresses those responses in the following.

A. "Reference to" a Print Queue

On page 20 of the Supplemental Examiner's Answer, the Examiner reiterates the argument that Mazzagatte's "unique identification information" is "used as a reference to the print queue by the printer." Applicant still disagrees.

As previously stated, Mazzagatte's reference identifies *a user*, not a print queue. *Mazzagatte*, column 10, lines 12-24. For at least that reason, Mazzagatte's "unique identification information" is a reference to a user, *not* a print queue as required by Applicant's claims. Again, although the "unique identification information" is used to look up information *contained within* the print queue, that information certainly is not a "reference to" the print queue itself.

In response to the Examiner's comment that Applicant does not explicitly recite an "address" or a "location identifier," Applicant notes that such a meaning is clear from the context of Applicant's specification, which must be consulted when interpreting Applicant's claims. Regardless, even if such an interpretation is not used, the fact remains that information used to look up other information contained within a print queue is clearly not a "reference to" the print queue itself, as is explicitly required by Applicant's claims.

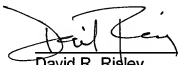
B. Identification of Allowable Claims

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication that various dependent claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim. It is unfortunate that the indication came after Applicant expended the time and expense of prosecuting the patent application through final status and of pursuing the instant appeal. Applicant will continue with the appeals process and have the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences decide on the issues.

CONCLUSION

In summary, it is Applicant's position that Applicant's claims are patentable over the applied prior art references and that the rejection of these claims should be withdrawn. Appellant therefore respectfully requests that the Board of Appeals overturn the Examiner's rejection and allow Applicant's pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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